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THE FERMANAGH ASSOCIATION IN LONDON.

MINUTES BOOK.

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June 1970

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W. on June 18<sup>th</sup> 1970. The Chairman Sec. and Treasurer and ten members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by K. Sanderson and seconded by P. J. Green

The Treasurers report showed a bank balance of £100-15-4 cash in hand £1-8-2. This was also adopted.

Proposed by P. J. Green and sec. by P. Gray

Correspondence included a letter and appreciation card from Mrs Keon sister of the late Jack Duffy in reply to letter of sympathy sent by the Assoc.

There was also a circular letter re the Annual Irish Centre Fayre organised by the C.I.C.A. to be held at the "Gusdam" Holloway Rd. on 11<sup>th</sup> July.

Kevie Sanderson attended a meeting and regarding the Fayre and made a report. Fermanagh members are to organise a "magnacah" Stall as before. All members agreed to contribute to the prizes for the stall and the chairman asked for all the support possible to make it a success.

The Quiz & Close took place on 2<sup>nd</sup> June Fermanagh being the losers but everyone agreed it was a most enjoyable contest.

The Dinner Dance was discussed and a proposal was made to include and invite Mr Morris & Conner & wife & Chairman of C.I.C.A. as guests. This was agreed also it was agreed that 37/6 was a suitable charge for tickets but they offered to try and contact a band. Menus were also discussed.

The C. & B. <sup>organised</sup> a buffet and presentation to Des Ward and his wife on 15<sup>th</sup> May in the Douglas Hyde lounge at the Irish Centre on the occasion of his returning home. It was also the date Farnagh Assoc's members had been invited to the home of Mr & Mrs X. Sanderson to make their presentation and as time was very limited it was decided to make both presentations at the same time. Everyone agreed it was a most enjoyable occasion.

The Irish Centre Marathon Walk was a great success on 15<sup>th</sup> May. Kevin O's & many finished the thirty mile walk.

Their effort was very much appreciated by all the other members. all of whom had sponsored them.

A congratulations & good wishes card was sent to Fr Allen Ward on the occasion of his ordination. Fr Corrigan proposed to a telegram be sent to Mr F. Mc Manus in the event of being elected as M.P. for Fer's & S. Tyrone. This was agreed by all. There was no other business.  
Date of next meeting 16<sup>th</sup> July 1970. H. O'Connell  
16/7/70



July 16<sup>th</sup> 1970

a general meeting of the Germanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Gordon Square N.W.1. on July 16<sup>th</sup> 1970. The Chairman, Sec<sup>y</sup>, Treasurer and eleven members were present. There was an apology from Mr & Mrs Sanderson who were unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, proposed by Mrs Green and seconded by Mr Pat Grey.

The Treasurers Report showed a bank balance of £109-15-4, cash in hand 8/2. This was also adopted, proposed by Mr J. Green and seconded by Mr H. Leonard.

There was no correspondence except circulars regarding the final arrangements for the Summer Fayre held in the Garden on the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. (Referred to in the previous minutes). This was a great success. "The Germanagh Stall" made a total of £12 — which was handed over to Mr B Daly Secretary of the C.D.C.A.

The Dinner Dance to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> Sept. was again discussed and arrangements for tickets & menus to be finalised.

It was proposed by Mr Don McBarroll that Frank McManus M.P. for Farnham and S. Tyrone be invited as a guest. This was seconded by Mr Frank Corrigan.

It was also proposed to invite Fr. Patrick O'Reilly who was recently ordained in the Church of Our Lady of Hal. Arlington Rd N.W.1.

There was Cambridge Draw tickets were to  
land and distributed to all members.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting Sept 10th 1970

off Mr Lamm

10/9/70



September 1970  
a general meeting of the Fermanagh  
Association in London was held  
in the Irish Centre 52 Bonden  
Square, N. W. 1. on Sept 10th 1970.

The Chairman Sec' and Treasurer  
and seven members were present  
There was an apology from Mr & Mrs  
Sanderson who were unable to  
attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting  
were read and adopted. Proposed  
by P. J. McNamee and seconded by  
Frank Corrigan.

The Treasurers Report showed a  
bank balance of £108-5-4, cash  
in hand 8/2. Proposed by P. J.  
McNamee and seconded by Jack Maguire.

Correspondence included a letter  
x 50 books of tickets from the Sec'  
of the Ben Bulbin Base. 224 Petcor St.  
N 19. but as there was no meeting  
during holiday season, it was impossible  
to dispose of them all but some  
were sold and taken monies taken along  
to the Base by the secretary on behalf  
of the Association. There was also a  
letter from Mr Frank McNamee M.P.  
accepting our invitation to the Dinner  
Dance.

The Dinner/Dance dance was the main  
discussion. all the guests invited had  
accepted our invitation. menus and  
toasts were agreed on by all present.

The band had been booked at a cost of £18 ---. (The Southlanders).

It was agreed to donate £50 --- from the funds to the Irish Centre. Proposed by Pat Grey and seconded by Dan Mc Carroll. This was to be presented on the night of the Dinner Dance by cheque.

The C. J. C. A. at their meeting asked that all ticket counterfoils & monies in respect of the Cambridge Draw be sent along in bulk from the Assoc's if possible. Members agreed to send in their ticket stubs & monies to the Secretary before the draw on Sept 30<sup>th</sup>.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 15<sup>th</sup> October 1970.  
(A.G.M.)

H. Mr. Lammert



Oct 1970

The Annual General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Candan Sq. on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1970.

The attendance included. The Chairman. Secretary. Treasurer. Committee members and members of the Association. Mr & Mrs Mc Carroll were in Ireland and were therefore unable to attend.

Minutes of the previous <sup>AGM.</sup> meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by Mrs Green and seconded by Mr P. Gray.

A letter of correspondence was read from Mr Frank Mc Abonius M.P. expressing his thanks for the invitation to the Assoc's Annual dinner and said how much he enjoyed it. and looks forward to meeting again in the near future.

A letter was also read from Fr. Brendan Shennony <sup>W.F.</sup> regretting he was unable to accept an invitation to a party to be held at the home of Mrs <sup>John</sup> Dan Mc Carroll. at Sutton as he was sooner than expected leaving London to return to the Foreign Missions. It had been agreed by the committee members to present him with a Parker Pen & Pencil present set. at this party but as he was unable to be there. It was

presented to him at his own Parish Party held on the previous night. Fri 25/9/70. at Manor House.

By the Sec. Mrs Mc Cormack on behalf of the Fermanagh Assoc' in London as (he was one of the Vice Presidents). This also conveyed the good wishes of the Assoc' to him in his future work.

another letter re from Wexford Assoc' re the Kennedy Memorial March on Nov 15<sup>th</sup> 1970 at 2-30. Marble Arch to Park Crescent. inviting the Assoc' to participate.

also, a letter & tickets from the Holy Ghost Frs. Kevin re a donee in the Gresham. Oct 2.

Mr Pat Greay sold tickets and attended this. - another letter & tickets from Limerick Assoc. Mr. re a donee Nov 7<sup>th</sup> in aid of Irish Centre. Mr. Mrs. John Mc Aleer <sup>bought</sup> tickets. all these letters have been replied to.

Treasurers Report showed a Bank Balance £95. 5-4. cash in hand 13/2.

The Chairman in his review of the year. thanked everyone for their attendance and asked for continued support. With a special word to Mr Des Ward former Chairman for six years and Mr. Frank Corrigan our Treasurer, and everyone who helped to make the events of the year a success.



The dance held in the Irish Centre in January was a great success so also was one in the Gresham in March. Donated to the Assoc<sup>n</sup> about that time \$10 -- value (I. acc) Irish Agricultural Credit Corp<sup>n</sup> Bonds by Mr. Thomas Gorman. President C. I. C. A.

The Assoc took part in the St Patrick's Day Parade. (Unfortunately new Banner was not ready but we had a great support and also members helped to get ready and man the Ulster Float which won second prize. Termanagh was commended for great support at the C. I. C. A. Annual Dinner in April a party of twenty three represented the Assoc<sup>n</sup>.

Our Stall at the C. I. C. A. Fayre in aid of the Irish Centre was a success considering a lack of support. The Assoc took part in the Inter County Quiz with Clare in May. Also in May the marathon walk in aid of the Irish Centre. These members walked and the other members were sponsors. Members supported other <sup>co</sup> functions during the year whenever possible and also their raffles & draws as well as other charitable organisations & during the year. The last being the



Cambridge Draw. (C.I.C.A.) in October.

We had meetings and parties during the year at members' homes all of which was most enjoyable.

The last main event of the Assoc year was the Annual Dinner 17th Sept and with thanks to all the members for their hard work it was very successful and very enjoyable. That concluded the review of the year.

The Chairman welcomed seven new members to the Association and hoped for many more in the coming year. Mr Frank Mc Manus <sup>M.P.</sup> in his address at the Dinner/Dance asked for more Fermanagh People in London to join the Association. He also kindly presented a cheque for £50 — to Fr. Sheridan as a donation to the Irish Centre from the Fermanagh Assoc. a vote of thanks was expressed to the Irish Centre for use of rooms for meetings during the year. Thanks was also expressed to the management and catering staff.

107 People attended our Dinner Dance, guests of Honour, Mr Frank Manus M.P., Mr J. Gorman Pres. C.I.C.A., Mrs Mrs O'Connor, Chairman C.I.C.A., Fr. Sheridan C.M.I., Fr. O. Rielly, Fr. Shannon & Fr. Gilbride. Vice Presidents of the Fermanagh Association. There was no other business.



Election of Officers and Committee  
members followed —

Patron — The Lord Bishop of Clogher.  
President — Mr. Frank Mc Manus M.P.  
Vice President — Mr. Frank Gilbride.  
" — Mr. Des Ward.  
Chairman — Mr. Hugh Mc Cormack.  
Vice Chairman — " Pat Grey.  
Secretary — Mrs. H. Mc Cormack  
Ass " — Mrs. R. Sanderson.  
Treasurer — Mr. Frank Corrigan  
Auditors — Mr. & Mrs. Dan Mc Carroll.

Committee members elected were as follows:  
Mr & Mrs P. J. Greene. Mrs  
Corrigan. Mr Jack Maguire.  
Mr. Kevin Sanderson. Mr John  
Maguire. Mr & Mrs John Mc Sleer  
Miss Elizabeth Mc Sleer. Mr &  
Mrs Dan Mc Manus. & Mr.  
Patrick Mc Manus.

Delegates to the C. I. C. & M.  
H. Mc Cormack and Mr. Kevin  
Sanderson.

The rules of the Constitution were  
read. Members then all paid their  
subscriptions for the coming year.  
who were present.

that concluded the meeting.  
Date of next general meeting. 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 1970

H/Mc Carroll

21.10.70

November 1970

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London took place held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1 on November 19th 1970.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and eleven members were present.

The minutes of the previous general meeting were read and adopted, proposed by Pat Grey and seconded by Mrs Green. Treasurer's Report showed a Bank Balance £63-12-4. Cash in hand £1-13-2. This was also adopted proposed by Mrs McManus and seconded by Don McManus.

Correspondence included a reply letter from the Lord Bishop of Clogher Most Rev. Dr Patrick Mulligan saying that he was honoured to accept our invitation to be Patron of the Fermanagh Association in London for the coming year. A letter from Fr O'Neill C.S.P. (Kent) to acknowledge receipt of P. Order sent re tickets sold for Charity Dance. Also a letter from J.H.C.R. Committee inviting four Assoc members to a "convention" at the Irish Club Eaton Sq. on Sunday 29th Nov 1970. Mr & Mrs Corrigan and Mrs Mc Cormack proposed to attend on behalf of the Assoc.

Finally the C.I.C.A. newsletter report the main item concerning the Assoc was the allocation of Saturday nights at the Irish Centre for 1971.



an application was sent in for a date in January and May. Also the Association was requested to send in an item for publication in the new Irish Counties Journal. First edition to be ready in December.

Items to include activities, formation or personalities among members, or anything thought to be of interest to members or happenings ~~on~~ the Home Front. It was agreed to send in an item.

Mr & Mrs Greene Mr Frank Corrigan and Mr Dan McManes agreed to enter for the Individual Quiz to be held in January<sup>1971</sup> but numbers to be finalised at the next meeting.

There was a discussion regarding the Annual Dinner dance held on 27<sup>th</sup> Sept last. Everyone enjoyed it there was a proposal suggestion from Mr Kevin Sanderson that we hold a bacon & cabbage in May<sup>1971</sup> if we are allocated a Saturday night and that we go elsewhere for the Annual Dinner & Dance.

The Chairman asked for suggestions with a view to preparing the entry for the £1000 competition. Pending official confirmation of date 23 Jan 1971 for dance in the Irish Centre arrangements for Band & tickets were to be made. There was no other business  
Date of next meeting 17<sup>th</sup> December 1970.

H. Mc Cormick



DECEMBER 1970

A General Meeting of the Fermanagh Assoc<sup>n</sup> in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1 on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 1970.

The Chairman Secretary, Treasurer, and ten members were present. There was an apology from Mr & Mrs Greene and Mr Pat Grey who were unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by J Corrigan and seconded by D. McMorris.

Correspondence included a petition from the Northern Ireland Civil Rights Assoc<sup>n</sup> London for a Bill of Rights for N. Ireland. All members agreed that it would be in order to <sup>sign</sup> it as it would be for the benefit of the people of Northern Ireland, and that includes Fermanagh to make possible peaceful constitutional progress.

Also a list of Saturday nights allocated up to the end of May. The Association have been allocated only one Sat<sup>n</sup> date 23 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1971. Therefore it will not be possible to arrange a cabbage and bacon dinner (as suggested in the previous minutes) till later on in the year. The C. I. C. A. news letter was to hand and six tickets for their Christmas Dinner on Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 1971 to be sold at 30/- each. There were also Christmas & New Year Greeting Cards from the Association.



from friends & wellwishers everywhere.  
Including "Dail Eireann". Irish Embassy  
London. Irish Centre London. 'Associations' and  
clergy.

The Treasurers report showed a Bank  
balance of £70 - 17. 4 cash in hand  
£1 - 9. 2. (There was a profit of £15 - on the  
Annual Dinner) this was adopted proposed  
by D. McManus and seconded by (Eileen)  
Mrs Sanderson.

Mr Frank Corrigan made a suggestion  
to be on the agenda at the next  
meeting with reference to sending a  
representative to other County Annual  
Dinners particularly ~~to~~ to those who  
always support ~~the~~ our own Functions.

The Chairman suggested that as  
we have never a very great Bank  
balance it would be a good idea  
perhaps if everyone agreed to take a  
copy of the new Irish Counties Journal  
monthly for 1/- each to go in a kitty  
for this purpose. Maybe we could  
even sell a few to our friends.

Mr Kevin Sanderson proposed a vote of thanks to  
Mrs Mary Ward for attending the meeting. (She  
is in London on holiday)

The Chairman Hugh Mc Cormack welcomed  
everyone and thanked them for attending  
and wished all a Happy Xmas & a  
Prosperous New Year. That concluded  
the meeting. Date of next meeting Jan 21<sup>st</sup> 1971.

N.B. Dance TICKETS WERE AVAILABLE For Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> 70.

DANCE

H. Mc Cormack



January 1971.

a general meeting of the Termanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1. on Thursday January 21<sup>st</sup> 1971.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and eleven members were present. The Chairman welcomed everyone and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by Don McManes and seconded by Pat Egan.

The Treasurers report showed a bank balance of £65-17-4, cash in hand £1-2-9. This was also adopted. Proposed by Kevin Sanderson and seconded by Mrs Greene.

Correspondence included a letter from former Chairman, Mr. Des Ward and now one of our vice presidents, with his best wishes & his new address, 77 Hillview PK. Enniskillen. He hopes members will visit himself & Mary when on holidays. Also there was a letter from Mr. Allen Ward thanking the Assoc for their good wishes on the occasion of his Ordination. He is living in Chester and hopes to pay a visit soon in London, and, perhaps we can arrange <sup>it</sup> to coincide with the Assoc meeting.

The Chairman and secretary attended a meeting in the Irish Centre



on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January as representatives  
of the Demeragh Assoc. with regards  
to the "1971 Ulster Float" for  
the St Patrick's Day parades.  
all <sup>members</sup> present agreed to support the  
forthcoming Dance on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan.

It was agreed to hold a raffle  
Mrs Greene very kindly offered to  
arrange it.

Congratulations was extended to  
Kevin & Mrs Sanderson (Eileen) on  
the birth of their Son (Biaron)  
during

A resolution was passed condemning  
the outrageous imprisonment of Mr.  
Frank McManus M.P. for Demeragh  
& South Tyrone. Mr McManus is  
President of the Association.

Mrs Greene proposed to run a raffle  
at our meetings to raise funds this  
was recorded by Mrs McManus.

also members agreed to donate 2/-  
monthly for the Irish Counties Journal  
towards sending a representative to  
Cork County Elections who support us.

Mrs Greene proposed that a mass card &  
letter of sympathy be sent to Fr Sheridan  
(Jus2 centre) on the death of his father Mr.  
Patrick Sheridan.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting February 18<sup>th</sup> 1971.

J. Mrs Lamm



February 1971  
a general meeting of the Femenagh Association  
in London was held in the Irish Centre  
52 Camden Square, N.W.1. on Thursday Jan  
February 18<sup>th</sup> 1971.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and  
fifteen members were present.

The Chairman welcomed everyone  
and the minutes of the previous meeting  
were read and adopted proposed by  
Alis Greene and seconded by Kevin Sanderson.

The Treasurers Report showed a  
Bank Balance of £84-00 cash in hand  
£1-30. (Inclusive is profit from the Dinner  
held on 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan off £15-17 to date.

(The raffle organised by Alis Greene  
realised £10-18). This <sup>report</sup> was adopted  
proposed by Don McManus and seconded  
by J. P. Maguire.

There was no correspondence except  
the C.I.C.A. newsletter & Agenda for their  
E/coming A.G.M. This was presumably  
due to the Postal Strike.

Four Delegates were elected to represent  
the Assoc' at the C.I.C.A. A.G.M. on  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb at 2-3.0 P.M. in the Irish  
Centre. They were as follows:- John  
McSleer, Kevin Sanderson, Hugh Mc  
Cormack and Alis Greene.

It was agreed that the Secretary prepare  
the Assoc Entry Report (to be taken  
from the minutes) for the Thomas Gorman  
£4000 Competition. The entry must be  
to hand by 17<sup>th</sup> March.



The St Patrick Day Parade was discussed and members offered to help prepare & man the Ulster Float 1971. All members and Fermanagh people to be at Horse Guards Parade on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH at 2 P.M.

Members were requested to contribute items for the Irish Bounties Journal on behalf of the Fermanagh Association.

Hugh Leonard proposed that a mass card be sent to Brendan Brennan (Irish Centre Manager) on the Death of his Brother Joe Brennan R.I.P.

The Chairman thanked all the members for contributing to make the Dance on 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan in the Irish Centre such a great success. and thanks to the "Swinging Kellys" who provided the music and enjoyed by all.

And owing to the postal strike Thanks to Don McBarrell for getting the report through to the Fermanagh Herald with reference to the Imprisonment of Frank McManus M.P. We look forward to his release.

That concluded the meeting  
Date of next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH '71

H McBarrell

18. 2. 71

MARCH 18<sup>th</sup> 1971

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square, N.W.1. on Thur 18<sup>th</sup> March 1971. The Chairman Treasurer: Secretary and ten members were present, there was an apology from Mr & Mrs Mc Carroll who were unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, proposed by Don Mc Manus and seconded by Frank Corrigan.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £90-01 cash in hand £1-51 this was also adopted proposed by Pat Grey and seconded by J. J. Maguire.

It was agreed to apply to the executive committee E.I.C.A. for a Sat night in September or June, and also to make a provisional booking for the 1971 Annual Dinner for a date in October..

Fermanagh have been chosen to meet Harlow in the first round of the <sup>inter co</sup> Gung for the Guinness Cup 1971. - Team to be picked at the next meeting.

There was no correspondence.

The Fermanagh section of the St Patrick's Day parade in London had was well supported. Thanks was extended to all who helped to prepare and man the Ulster float which got third place in the competition.



The forthcoming Annual Dinner/Dance of the Council of Irish Counties Association to be held in the "Gresham" 15th April was discussed. Tickets available at £2-50 each.

The usual Raffle then took place.

The C.I.C.A. Monthly Journal was to hand. There was no other business.

The Chairman welcomed a new member Miss Mary Cadden and thanked all members for their attendance.

That concluded the meeting.

next meeting April 22nd 1971.

H. McNamee  
20/3/71

APRIL 1971

a general meeting was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1. on Thur 22nd April 1971. The Chairman Sec. and Treasurers and eight members were present. A private meeting room was not available and it was agreed to leave adoption of minutes & Treasurers report till the next monthly meeting.

The Quiz Team for the Intel Co Quiz Guinness Club 1971 was selected by the Captain Mr Frank Corrigan.

The first round must if possible be completed by 18th May. The team selected were Captain Frank Corrigan, Gen Mc Manus, Kevin Sanderson, Mrs Greene & P.J. Greene, and Hugh Mc Cormack. Quiz Master and time keeper Michael Waters and Luke Kennedy.

Kevin Sanderson and Patrick Mc Manus volunteered to walk in the thirty mile Marathon Walk in Aid of the Irish Centre on 23rd May. to be sponsored by members and friends of the Association.

Eleven members attended the C.I.C.D. Annual D/Dance in the Gresham on 15th April. and was enjoyed by all.

Delegates report re the St Patricks Day Parade Meeting. Thanks was extended to all supporters and a cheque for £10.00 was secured as third prize for the Ulster Float. This was to be added to the Ulster Float fund for 1972. re. expenses.



It was agreed to book the Irish Centre Kennedy Memorial Hall for the Assoc' Annual D/Dance 1971 to be held if possible in October.

The Summer Fayre in aid of the Irish Centre is to be held at Quex Rd on Sat June 12<sup>th</sup>. Meeting regarding same to be arranged later by the Committee.

Fermanagh Assoc in London members were invited to the <sup>first</sup> function held in the Irish Centre Birmingham by the newly formed Fermanagh Assoc Birmingham. It was agreed to book a <sup>self drive</sup> mini Bus for that date - 7<sup>th</sup> May by Mr Don McManus & Patrick. offered to arrange this.

Some of the members attended a Farewell Social Buffet held by the Section Assoc' on 22<sup>nd</sup> April in the Irish Centre Douglas Hyde Lounge.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting

20 May 1971

AH MacLennan

20/5/71

MAY 1971

A general meeting of the Germanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Sq. N.W.1 on Thur May 20th at The Chairman Sec' and Treasurer and twelve members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. proposed by P. J. Greene, seconded by Dan Mc Manus. The ~~two~~<sup>MARCH</sup> meeting minutes were taken as read and also adopted.

The Treasurers report for March showed a B/Balance of £92-31, cash in hand £1-55, and to date Bank Balance £78-66 C/H £1-55 after affiliation fees Quiry fees etc had been deducted.

This was proposed by P. J. Greene and seconded by Pat Gray.

Correspondence included a letter from Mr. Skaters Captain Carlow Team re our Quiry v Carlow as they are 1970 Finalists and not completed yet we are requested to wait for a suitable date later.

a letter from N.I.C.R.A. asking for our support at the Rally from Hyde PK Corner to Trafalgar Sq. on July 11th.

a decision is to be made at the next meeting. Also a letter from the Irish Centre with reference to their forthcoming A.G.M. on 25th May, as according to the constitution of the Irish Centre our Association is intitled to nominate one member. Mr Dan Mc Manus



was then nominated to represent the Association on the Council of the Irish Centre.

Members were reminded of the Irish Centre Marathon Walk organised by the C.I.C.A. also the Summer Fayre.

The "Walk" now to take place on 6<sup>th</sup> July and "Fayre" on 12<sup>th</sup> June at Quern Rd.

The outing to Birmingham Irish Centre was as guests of the newly formed Fermanagh Assoc. in Birmingham was a great success, and all who were able to participate agreed it was very enjoyable. It was regretted that all our members were not able to make it, but we hope to return at a later date with a bigger party. Thanks was extended to Dan McManus and Frank Corrigan our <sup>courteous</sup> drivers for getting us safely there and back.

A proposal was made to send a welcome home telegram to Frank McManus M.P. A discussion was held in view of organizing a charity dance to assist the Widow and family of the late Brendan McElaffrey from Lisnakea who was recently killed in a car accident here in England.

That concluded the meeting.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 17<sup>th</sup> June 1971

H. McConagh

JUNE 1971

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1. on Thur 17 June. The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and sixteen members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by Dan McManus and seconded by Pat Grey.

Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance £84.66, cash in hand 1.55.

This was proposed by P.J. Greene and seconded by Kevin Sanderson.

Congratulations was extended to Kevin Sanderson and Patrick McManus for finishing<sup>in</sup> the Marathon Walk in aid of the Irish Centre.

The Fermanagh stall at the Foye in Quays Rd on 12<sup>th</sup> inst was quite successful and the sum of £17.00 was handed over to the Secretary for the Irish Centre funds.

The Quin versus Carlow was fixed for Thur 24<sup>th</sup> June at the Irish Centre. Frank Corrigan Captain selected the team as follows:- Mrs Greene, Mrs Sanderson, P.J. Greene & Dan McManus.

It was decided to discuss the 1971 Annual Dinner at the next meeting.

The Benefit<sup>Social &</sup> Dance in aid of the wife and children of the late Brendan Mc Caffrey - Cionastea was arranged



to be held in the Irish Centre on Sat  
July 31<sup>st</sup>. tickets were being printed  
at 30<sup>p</sup> each and issued by the  
"Southlanders".

members agreed to take part in the  
Civil Rights March on July 11<sup>th</sup>.  
which is promised to be a peaceful  
& non political & non sectarian rally.

There was a letter of reply from Fr  
Pat Rielly who was unable to  
accept the invitation to ~~be~~ be  
present for the meeting and reception  
to Pat afterwards. Fr Frank  
Giblin (one of our Vice Presidents) was  
also unable to be present. He was  
away on holidays.

our vice chairman  
a reception & presentation to Pat  
Grey and his bride to be Eileen on  
the occasion of their forthcoming  
marriage was arranged to take place  
immediately after the meeting.

There was no other business  
date of next meeting. 15/7/71  
H McLaughlin

17.6.71

JULY 1971

a General meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre 52 Gordon Square. N. W. 1. on Thur' July 15<sup>th</sup> 1971

The Chairman, Sec' and Treasurers and 11 members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by P. J. Green & Seconded by Dan McBarbelle

Treasurers Report showed a bank balance £84-66. Cash in hand £2-49

This was proposed by Dan McManus and seconded by Mrs Marion McBarbelle for adoption.

There was no correspondence. an apology from Mrs & Mrs Kevin Sanderson (for phone call) as they were unable to attend. also an apology from Mrs Greene who had another engagement to attend to.

The Quiz took place as arranged on June 24<sup>th</sup> via Carlow. Carlow being the victors but our team put up an excellent challenge and might well have won. Luck was against them in the last round. Incidentally Carlow won the Guinness Cup 1970 - two wks previous

The Annual Dinner Dance 1971 was discussed. The Venue is being already booked for Oct' 28<sup>th</sup> (Thur) 1971 at the Irish Centre. and the Band "THE SOUTHLANDERS" cost to be £18-00. It was agreed to get tickets printed as soon as possible price £2-00 each. The menu to be a similar to last year.



It was agreed to invite Mr. Frank Mc Manus MP and his wife, (Mr Mc Manus is to be married on Aug' 11<sup>th</sup>) also Mr P. J. Leonard Mayor of Kettering.

Mr. Pett Leonard is formerly from "The Knocks", Lisnaskea. Also to invite as previously suggested the Committee members of the Fermanagh Assoc' Birmingham who invited us there and were our hosts on the 7<sup>th</sup> May last.

Members were reminded about the forthcoming Dance on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Buffet Presentation to Pat Gray<sup>v. President</sup> his bride to be Eileen on the occasion of his forthcoming marriage was enjoyed by all. The Presentation - a bone china (Queen Ann) tea set - which carries with it all best wishes for the future.

Congratulations was extended to Mr John & Mrs Mary McAleer on the birth of their daughter. also to ~~Mr & Mrs~~ MRS PERRY (OUR FORMER SECRETARY + LINA GALLAGHER) ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR DAUGHTER. GENERIEVE CLAIRE.

#### GREETINGS

IT WAS AGREED TO SEND A TELEGRAM TO FRANK Mc MANUS ON THE OCCASION OF HIS FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE.

A LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS WAS SENT TO MR P. LEONARD ON HIS <sup>INAUGURATION</sup> ~~INAGURATION~~ AS MAYOR OF KETTERING.

MRS KATHLEEN Mc MANUS ORGANISED THE USUAL RAFFLE. THERE WAS NO OTHER BUSINESS.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 23<sup>rd</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> SEPT' 1971

15.7.71 H. Mc Manus

SEPTEMBER 1971

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre 52 Bandon Square N.W.1 on Thur 23rd Sept. 1971.

The Chairman Sec<sup>r</sup> & Treasurer and eleven<sup>+2</sup> members were present.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by Pat Gray and seconded by John McFleur.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £84.66 cash in hand of £2.00

There was also a cheque for £142.00 the proceeds of the benefit Dance held on July 31<sup>st</sup> to be sent to Mrs and baby's family, Widow of late Brendan Mc Caffrey, by the Secretary. The Chairman thanked all who supported this cause and helped to make it so successful.

The Treasurer's Report was adopted Proposed by Don Mc Manus and Sec<sup>r</sup> by Pat Gray.

The next item on the agenda was the forthcoming Annual Dinner Dance in the Irish Centre on 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. Tickets at £2.00 each were distributed to members who are united to make this great function the best ever. The menu and speakers were uncertain as all invitations were not replied to.

The 3 Photography was to be proposed to Mr P.J. Fahan. (as on previous occasions).

There was a reply from Councillor P.J. Leonard through the town clerk regretting



being unable to accept the invitation  
as guest at the Dinner. Also a thank  
you letter from Pat & Ellen May (for  
the wedding gift).

A phone call to the Secretary confirmed  
that 12 guests were to attend the  
Dinner from Birmingham Fermanagh  
Assoc. - for Mr Robert Cullen (Chairman).

The Chairman informed members that  
all County Associations had agreed  
to contribute £2.00 towards a  
farewell gift to Mr Tom Murphy  
Wexford - St Patrick's Day Parade Committee  
etc. who was returning to Ireland  
permanently.

A vote of sympathy was conveyed  
to Mrs Greene on the death of her  
Brother-in-law. Joe Glanaghan. R.I.P.  
Enniskillen.

Owing to the holidays no meeting  
was held in August. There was no  
Fermanagh item in the August edition  
of the C.I.E.A. Journal.

The Chairman on behalf of all  
welcomed Des & Mary Ward who were  
present at the meeting. They were on  
holidays in London. A suggestion was  
made to write a letter to M.P.'s in London  
protesting about internment in N. Ireland.  
There was no other business.

Date of next ~~meeting~~ meeting. Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1971

A.G.H.

H. McLaughlin

23.9.71

-A.G.M.: OCTOBER 1971

The Annual General Meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held at the Irish Centre 52 Bonden Square N.W.1 on October 21<sup>st</sup> 1971 at.

The attendance included the Chairman Secretary & Treasurer and thirteen members ~~not~~ There was an apology from Kevin Sanderson & Eileen who were unable to attend also from Mrs Marion Mc Carroll who was in Ireland also Fr Gilbride was away on business.

The minutes of the previous A.G.M. were read and adopted proposed by Don Mc Manus and seconded by P.J. Greene.

Treasurers Report - £91.24 : cash in hand £2.00.

a letter of thanks was to hand from Mrs Brendan Mc Caffrey to the Association regarding the benefit Dance held on 31<sup>st</sup> July 1971.

The Forthcoming Annual Dinner Dance on 28<sup>th</sup> October was finalised and showed promise of being a success. a raffle was also arranged to aid the N-Ireland relief Fund.

In the Chairmans review of the year thanks was extended to all members for good attendance & support during the year & particularly for making the events of the year a success. Thanks was extended to the Irish



Centre for rooms for meetings & dances and to all Fermanagh people and the County Associations for their support. The New Year Dance was a great success and the Benefit Dance on July 31<sup>st</sup>. The St Patrick's Day parade - with the Assoc's new Banner was well supported and our part in the Ulster Float - won 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize. The Irish Counties Monthly Journal was launched in January and included monthly a Fermanagh news item. 2 members walked the 30 miles Marathon in aid of the Irish Centre Funds. Also the Assoc's Stall at Querry Rd in June - again a success. There was no seaside outing but instead an outing to Birmingham as guests of the 'Fermanagh Assoc' there - and this was most enjoyable.

There was no other business. The usual raffle took place, and the constitution was taken as read.

The Election of Officers then took place.

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| Chairman  | MR Hugh Mc Cormack         |
| Vice "    | MRS. Pat Gray              |
| Secretary | MRS. Mary Mc Cormack (Mrs) |
| Asst "    | MISS Mary Madden (Mrs)     |
| Treasurer | MR Frank Corrigan          |
| Auditors  | MR & Mrs Dan Mc Carroll    |

Committee members:-

Mr & Mrs P J Greene  
" " Denis McManus  
" " John Mc Aleer  
" " Mrs W. Corrigan  
" J. J. Maguire  
" P. McManus  
" Miss M. Mc Caffrey  
" " R. Sanderson

Delegates to the C.I.C.A.

Hugh Mc Cormack & Don McManus.

The Chairman again thanked all for their support and welcomed new members into the Association.

Internment in Northern Ireland was condemned by all present and it was hoped for the release of all internees and a just and peaceful settlement soon.

All members present then paid their membership fees for the coming year.

There was no other business.

The meeting concluded at 11-30 P.M.

Date of next meeting:-

H. Mc Cormack

29/10/72



November

18<sup>th</sup>

1971

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London took place at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1. on 18<sup>th</sup> November 1971.

The Chairman Sec. Treasurer and eleven members were present.

The minutes of the last general meeting (in Sept), were read and adopted.

The question of the circular letter to M.P. in London arose from the minutes. These were to be sent in the form of a protest against internment in N. Ireland. but it was decided that members write to their own M.P.s personally. on this issue this was proposed by Mary Cadden and seconded by J. Mc Cleer.

The Treasurers Report showed a bank balance of £147.84 cash in hand £2.00. This was adopted - proposed by J. Mc Cleer and seconded by Dan Mc Manus.

a letter was read from Mrs Mary Mc Manus. Enniskillen <sup>Executive</sup> Committee member of the Fermanagh Voluntary Assoc. for the Handicapped. This was sent together with tickets for a Times Draw and an appeal to dispose of as many as possible.

These were distributed to <sup>some</sup> members and the Association <sup>also</sup> sent a cheque also for £5.00.

Also to hand were tickets for a Times Draw for the Irish Centre Boys Band a cheque was sent from the Assoc for £6.20 also a cheque was sent to the N.I. R.F.

for £26.00 - the proceeds of a raffle held at the Annual Dinner on 28th Oct. all these causes were regarded by the members to be worthy of support. a letter also from Mrs Joyce McGinn Kingston Hill, Surrey, regarding membership.

The Annual Dinner was a great success socially and financially although all monies were not to hand, 167 people sat down to a superb meal, 17 of these were the guests of the Assoc. The Birmingham Party of 12 people includes Mrs O'Connor - Chairman C.I.C.A. Our Vice President Fr Frank Gilbride and later when the Common Market debate ended we had the support of our President

T.W.

Frank McManus M.P. The Dinner was televised.

Frank Corrigan <sup>Inspector</sup> proposed a vote of thanks to the Secretary & Chairman for helping to make this function so successful. In return the Chairman thanked all members for their support. Mr Frank Corrigan proposed that two dinner dance tickets be ~~paid~~ for from the raffle funds to for the Glave Assoc's dinner. The Chairman & Sec to attend on behalf of the Assoc.

A hearty welcome was extended to the new Senior Chaplain of the Irish Centre. Fr Michael O'M. who attended the meeting also to Miss Maureen Mc Caffrey, Anne Dolan and Mr. Benny Greene - all new members & that concluded the meeting.

Date of next meeting 16th Dec' 1971

18.11.71

H. Mc Cormick



December 16<sup>th</sup> 1971

a general meeting of the Termonagh Assoc<sup>e</sup> in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Sq. N.W. 1. on Dec<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 1971. The Chairman, Treasurer Secretary and eleven members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adapted. Moved by Don McManus and seconded by Pat Gray.

Treasurers report showed a bank balance of £91.59. cash in hand 1.85 this was also adopted proposed by Don McManus and seconded by J. McSleer.

There was no correspondence.

Sat<sup>r</sup> night 29<sup>th</sup> Jan was allocated to the Association and arrangements of the J & J Kennedy Memorial Hall - Irish Centre arrangements were made to hold a Dance on that night. Tickets to be printed as soon as possible. Pat Gray kindly offered to arrange for a Band if possible Johnny McBailey.

It was agreed to support a Benefit Dance to be held in the "Centre" on 8<sup>th</sup> Jan. in aid of C.I.C.A. Welfare funds. Three Irish Families in London who have suffered recent bereavements John & Mrs McSleer (two Committee members) were arranging to promote sale of tickets (30p) for this very worthy cause.

It was reported by the Delegates of C.I.C.A.

that to date £938.00 (all the 7 forms)  
for the N.I. R. Fund had been  
forwarded on from County Associations etc.  
had been requested to support the  
newly formed welfare fund. The  
account - opened at the A.J. Banks.  
£10.00 contribution by each county  
was agreed minimum. Galway &  
Mr J. Smith - Desmond Publishing Co.  
started the fund with £50.00 each  
Clare Assoc' also agreed to £50.00 <sup>Donate</sup>  
This is to be for the use of every  
County in a deserving case.

Tickets were sold amongst members  
in aid of the Irish Centre Welfare  
fund. for a Dance in the Graham  
on Dec' 29<sup>th</sup>.

The Irish Counties Journal was not to  
land on that date. Request from Galway  
Assoc' for Song Contest Entries. Mrs  
Pat Gray (Eileen) our talented singer  
was not able to enter owing to being  
in Hospital. We all wish her well  
again.

That concluded the meeting. afterwards  
a social was arranged to take place  
held in the Douglas Hyde Lounge.

The date of next meeting

20<sup>th</sup> January 1972

At Mrs Lormund

Adoption of Minutes proposed by Mrs Greene  
Seconded by J. Corrigan



January 1972

a General Meeting of the Termonagh Assoc'n in London was held in the Irish Centre Murray St. N.W.1. on Jan '20<sup>th</sup>. The Secretary Treasurer and fourteen members were present. There was an apology from the Chairman. Hugh Mc Cormack who was ill. In the absence of the Vice Chairman. P.J. Greene was adopted to the chair for the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted by Mrs Greene and seconded by J. Corrigan.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £108.00, cash in hand £2.35.

This was also adopted proposed by Dan Mc Manus and seconded by Mary Cadden.

A letter of thanks was read from Very Rev. Cannon Murphy, Belfast re donation £26.00 for the Innocent Defendants Fund.

Report from the C.I.B.A. meeting - A.G.M. on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb' at 2.30 pm. Shank.

The Assoc'n are intitled to four delegates - to be selected to attend. Tickets were already distributed to members for the Dance in the Irish Centre on Sat '29<sup>th</sup> Jan' (price 30p each). Johnnie Mc Cauley was not available another Band was booked at short notice. ( Mick Rockett ) It was agreed to hold a raffle during the Dance.

The Freshon Ballroom has been closed

at the disposal of the Assoc by the management. on Sunday 9th April. The success of this Dance will depend on the sale of tickets by members. - to be printed as soon as possible - price 40p each. 3

The Application fee of £5.00 was paid to the St Patricks Day Parade Committee. 2 Delegates to attend meeting on 25th Jan.

The C.I.E.A. <sup>Dec' edition</sup> Journal was to hand - the Assoc Report re the Annual Dinner Dance on 28th Oct. and Photographs of BBC "panorama" coverage of the dinner.

It was proposed by Dan Mc Manus that we pay £10.00 to the Central Welfare Fund. This was seconded by Benny Greene.

Dan Mc Manus proposed we send a mass card to Mrs Maguire (Barret) as a token of sympathy on the sudden death of her Husband who was a native of Fermanagh.

The Secretary was instructed to convey the Assoc's Best Wishes to the Claimant who was not well enough to attend.

That concluded the meeting.  
Date of next meeting Feb 17th 1972

Off Mrs Lamm

20. 1. 72



February 1972

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Assoc in London was held at the Irish Centre Murray Street N.W.1 on February 15<sup>th</sup> 1972. The Chairman, Sec<sup>y</sup> & Treasurer and 10 members were present.

The minutes of the last <sup>previous</sup> meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by Frank Corrigan and seconded by W. J. Greene.

The Treasurers report showed a bank balance of £120.50. cash in hand £1.35. The D/D Dance on 29<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> profit £26.29 - (Inclusive the raffle proceeds £11.08). This was also adopted proposed by D. McManus & seconded by Dennis Samwell.

a cheque for £10.00 was sent to the C. I. L. A. welfare fund. also a cheque <sup>sent</sup> to Yr mee for £30.00 re the N. Ireland Irish Centre fund. Two members Dan McManus & Pat Gray were to represent the Assoc<sup>n</sup> with their ~~wives~~ at the St Patrick's Day Banquet in the Grosvenor on 15<sup>th</sup> March. (two complimentary tickets to be paid for from the <sup>Assoc<sup>n</sup></sup> monthly meeting raffle fund.

The Benefit Dance was a success and very enjoyable. a party from the Paddington Feis came along to support us. Mrs Martin (Judge) and Daughter & Maureen O'Driscoll to dance also give an exhibition of Irish Dancing also present Larry O'Dowd. The



Irish Pipes. It was reported from the St Patrick's Day Parade Meeting that a parade would probably take place as usual. and the report re the Ulster Float Meeting that owing to the circumstances in Ulster there would be no float but there would be an Ulster banner instead.

The four Delegates to attend the C.I.C.A. A.G.M. were. Mr & Mrs P. J. Greene, Mr Dan McManus & Mrs McCormack (27<sup>th</sup> Feb).

It was agreed that the proceeds of the Dance to be held in the Fresham go to the N. Ireland Relief Fund.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept has been allocated by the C.I.C.A. for the Assoc at the Irish Centre - It was proposed to hold a Bacon & Cabbage Dinner.

The "Counties" Journal was distributed to members. The usual Raffle took place.

a telegram was sent to Mr Heath P.M. as a protest against the shootings in Derry on Jan' 30<sup>th</sup>.

There was no other business. That concluded the meeting.

Date of next meeting March 16<sup>th</sup>.

H. Mc Cormack  
17.2.72



March 1972

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Assoc<sup>n</sup> in London was held in the Irish Centre Murray St. N.W.1. on Thur March 16<sup>th</sup> 1972.

The Chairman Secretary & Treasurers were and fifteen members were present.

There was an apology from Fr Frank Gilbride (Vice President), who had hoped to be present, also from Don & Mrs Mc Carroll, who were also unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted - proposed by Mrs Greene and seconded by Benny Greene.

Treasurers report showed a bank balance of £81.84 cash in hand 0.85 this was also adopted proposed by P.D. Greene and seconded by Don Mc Manus.

Correspondence included a letter & receipt from Fr Tree O.M.I. (Senior Chaplain Irish Centre) for and on behalf of the N.I. Relief Fund. re donation of £30.00.

There also an appreciation card from Mrs Jerry Maguire, Bannet. in reply to a mass card sent by the Assoc<sup>n</sup> on the death of her husband.

There was a discussion on the St Patrick's Day Parade and why it had been cancelled. A Party of six members attended the Banquet held in the Grosvenor on the previous night (15<sup>th</sup> MARCH) enjoyed by all. Arrangements were made for sale of tickets.

for the forthcoming Dance in the Gresham Ballroom, Holloway Rd on 9th April, in aid of the Internees Dependents Fund.

Tickets from Cavan & Monaghan Assoc's in aid of ~~the~~ Benefit Dances were sold amongst members.

Report from the C.I.C.A., A.G. Mr <sup>Domegal</sup> Pat Hegarty as new Chairman. Maria Donovan (Waterford) Secretary. Michael Waters Treasurer (no change) Bob Daly Vice Chairman. 1972 Annual Dinner 4th May.

Thomas Gorman £1,000 — competition to be held as usual. Terms of reference & prize distribution <sup>list</sup> to be prepared and sent to Co Associations.

There was no other business. The meeting was drawn to a quick close as there a party was arranged to follow to celebrate The Feast of St Patrick.

Date of next meeting 20/4/72

H. McLooney

16.3.72



April 1972

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre, Murray St. N.W.1 on Thur 20th April.

The Chairman, Treasurer Secretary and eleven members were present. There was an apology from Mrs McCarroll who was unable to attend. We were honoured by an visit unexpected visit to the meeting of our president Mr Frank McManus M.P. and Rev. Fr. Mee. Senior Chaplain, Irish Centre. The Chairman welcomed all present and a special welcome to new member Mrs Mary Kate McManus. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr Dennis Samwell (member) on the death of his wife and to Mrs McCarroll on the death of her uncle (James McElgunn) letter of sympathy and mass cards to be sent.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Proposed by P.J. Greene and seconded by Mrs McManus.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance £132.55, cash in hand 65p... (inclusive proceeds of raffle at Dance at KAPL 13-25).

This was also adopted Proposed by Don McManus and seconded by Mrs Greene.

A copy of the entry report for the Thomas Gorman £1000 - competition was read by the Secretary. as submitted - results at the C.I.C.A Annual Dinner on 4th May - Gresham Ballroom, ten members booked tickets. The forthcoming Quiz -

versus Monaghan - date to be fixed later.  
Venue - Irish Centre.

on April 5<sup>th</sup> the Mayor of Kettering  
Councillor P. J. Leonard, <sup>Patricia</sup> Mrs Leonard  
Mayoress & Mrs Leonard were guests  
of Honour at a reception & social  
given by the Fermanagh Association  
in the Irish Centre. The Mayor was  
presented with a Beisek china vase  
and a bouquet of flowers to the  
Mayoress. According to reports all  
present enjoyed the occasion. Rev Dr  
McElrath was also present as guest.

It was agreed to charge £1.50  
on tickets for the forthcoming Bacon  
& cabbage on Sept 30<sup>th</sup> at the Irish  
centre.

In other business Frank Corrigan  
proposed that the association take  
100 tickets as the draw ~~sum~~ in aid  
of the Fermanagh Citizens Advice Society.  
It was decided unanimously to donate  
the proceeds of the dance to the  
Fermanagh welfare.

There was no other business.  
date of next meeting, 18<sup>th</sup> May.

H Mc Larnach

20 4 . 72



June 1972

A general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1 on Thurs 22nd June. The chairman secretary treasurer and fifteen members were present. The meeting opened with a vote of sympathy extended to Mrs Green on the recent death of her sister Mrs Smith and to Dennis Samwell on the of his wife.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by P.J. Greene and seconded by Don McManus.

Treasurers Report showed a bank balance £67.54 cash in hand <sup>PP. in m. m.</sup> £0.65 <sup>see in cash</sup> a cheque for ~~£100.00~~ <sup>£100.00</sup> had been sent to the Fermanagh Welfare <sup>£10.00</sup> paid re Ulster Banner.

Report on the C.I.E.A. Annual Dinner 4th May. in the Grosvenor nine members attended. Fermanagh Assoc won an award £50.00 prize in the Thomas Gorman Inter Co. competition, a letter of thanks was sent to Mr Gorman for making this possible.

The quiz versus Monaghan was a very good contest and the result so close it was not clear who had won till the chairman <sup>gun master</sup> announced the result - Fermanagh 64 pts Monaghan 66 pts. The quiz was held on Thurs 18th May, the night previously arranged for the Assoc's monthly meeting, Monaghan being the

entry by Secretary



Lots. The forthcoming Irish Bante Fayre organised by the C.I.C.A. arranged for 1st July at the "Bante".

Mrs Green brought a very lovely Doll along for to raffle ~~at~~ and also sold tickets and bought prizes for the stall. Some members gave a donation for prizes others brought prizes.

Tickets - for the forthcoming Bacon & Cabbage on 30th September - Irish Bante price £1.50 were now printed and members could start organising bantes as soon as possible.

A letter of congratulations to be sent to Councillor Brian Duggan on his inauguration as Mayor of Camden. Brian was a previous Secretary ~~of~~ the Irish Bante Committee and he was born in Tipperary. All counties were requested to support a buffet and dance at the Irish Bante on Tue 11th July to raise money for the Mayors Appeal Fund for the Eltham Rail crash victims - members of the Kentish Town Railway Club.

The First Junior "Flick Clock" organised by J Brooks welcome and trophies donated by the Banties, to be held Irish Bante 15th July. Gny Dees. Affiliation C.I.C.A fees 1972-73. (and Sec) paid. the meeting ended 11.15 P.M.

Date of next meeting 20th July.

H. Mc Carraugh



JULY  
~~SEPTEMBER~~ 1972

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre 52 Gordon Square N.W.1. on Thur 20<sup>th</sup> July. The Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary & twelve members were present.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read & adopted. Proposed by P.J. Greene & seconded by Frank Corrigan.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £53-54. cost in hand 57p. This was also adopted proposed by P. Gray & seconded by P. McManes.

Report on the Irish Centre Fayre - July 1<sup>st</sup> - did not attract a big support except from the Counties concerned partly due to other local open air events on the same day. Nevertheless Fermanagh Assoc's stall was a great attraction especially as it catered mainly for children with the usual game "magnacah".

Mrs Greene's Doll was won by Mrs Smyth (Thomond Publishing Co.) The proceeds of £19-00 was handed over to the Irish Centre Welfare Fund. Frank Corrigan proposed a vote of thanks to the helpers who manned the stall. Hugh, Mary & Betty Mc Cormack. P.J. Greene & Mrs McManes and also all who contributed to prizes were thanked by the chairman.

The Bacon & Cabbage forthcoming 30<sup>th</sup> Sept (Sat) Tickets were distributed



to members (Price 1.50 each).

It was agreed to try and organise an outing to Birmingham Irish Centre at a later date.

Mrs & Mrs Gray (Pat & Eileen) announced that they were soon to return to live permanently in Ireland. Pat is a founder member of the Association and will carry with him & Eileen the good wishes of the Association.

The Report on the St Patrick's Day Parade A.G.M. Mrs M. de Lormack & Mrs Mary Gadden (Sec & Asst Sec) attended as delegates. New committee includes M. de Lormack. ~~Term~~ 'Assoc' Secretary members who wish to travel to New York re charter flight for the St Pats' Day Parade 1973. (Date 55.50) Names to be handed in at the next meeting C.I.C. Also at that this meeting allocations for Saturday Nights 1973.

A cheque was sent to Mrs J. Maguire (Barnet), widow of late Jerry Maguire who has five small children. Grateful thanks was extended to all who helped this worthy cause. A cheque for £47.60 was sent from the Association.

There was no other business.  
Date of next meeting 21st Sept 1972

Mrs de Lormack

20.7.72



SEPTEMBER 1972

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N. 10. 1. The on Thurs 21st Sept. The Chairman, Sec. & twelve members were present. also present was Mr & Mrs D. Ward (Des & Mary). Des is ~~was~~ a Vice President of this Assoc. The Chairman on behalf of the Committee welcomed them to and wished them a pleasant holiday in London. The Treasurer and his wife (Frank & Winnie) were on holiday.

There was an apology from Mr & Mrs McAleer (John & Mary) who were unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by P.J. Green & seconded by D. McManus. Correspondence included a letter of thanks from Mrs Maguire in receipt of a cheque sent to her from the Assoc. - reference in previous minutes. and a thank you letter from Mr & Mrs P. Gray (Pat & Hilary) re the presentation from the Assoc. (a silver bowl) on the occasion of their returning to Ireland. and. P.J. & Mrs Green very kindly invited members to her home for this presentation & Party. also a letter of thanks from Asso. Sec. Miss Mary Cadden. Brother Johnie re Mass Card. In memoriam for their Parents. John & Kate. R.I.P.

The main item on the agenda was



the forthcoming "Bacon & cabbage" Dinner & Social on 30th Sept (Sat). A band was booked ("The Westons" cost £25-00

There was every indication of a full booking - around 200 people for this function. It was agreed to keep it private if possible.

Report from the C.I.C.A. meeting. The Sat' night <sup>Dance</sup> on the Kennedy Memorial Hall would cost £10-00 <sup>consequently</sup> from Jan' 1973 unless meals were booked - i.e. Dinner & Suppers. Also at this meeting all Counties were requested to send their complaints <sup>complaints</sup> re travel to Ireland in writing to be handed in at next meeting (Oct), as some Limerick Assoc members had experienced difficulty in travel. It was proposed by D. Mc Manus & see D. Samwell that the Secretary write a letter of complaint.

In other business Des Ward asked that the Assoc consider a donation to Mr Ted Keenan. Ennis Killen who had succeeded in swimming the English Channel on his second attempt and had received very little help in respect of funds.

That concluded the meeting.

Date of next meeting - A.G.M. 19th Oct

Off Anne Lammart



October 19<sup>th</sup> 1972

The Annual General Meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square, N.W.1. on Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Oct; at

The attendance included the Vice President Rev. Fr. Gilhade. The Chairman Secretary, Treasures and sixteen members were.

The minutes of the previous AGM were read and adopted, Proposed by P.J. Greene & Seconded by J. Mc Aleer.

Treasurers report:- Bank balance £100.74, cash in hand .57. This was also adopted, Proposed by Mrs Greene and seconded by Dennis Samwell.

The Bacon & Cabbage Dinner & Social was a great success - Socially & financially as the profit was about £100 it was proposed to split 50/50 donation to the Irish Centre and N.I.R. fund

The Individual quoy (C.I.E.A.). eight members agreed to enter the competition

Frank Corrigan & B. Greene. De Samwell P.J. Greene. H. McCormack. Mrs Greene Mrs Corrigan Mrs M.K. McManus.

In other business The New York Charter flight organized by St P. D. Parade was discussed. Six members were arranging to travel - This two week trip was arranged to coincide with the St P Day Parade in N. York.

Saturday Nights allocation:- Fermanagh Assoc. had been allocated two - Jan 25<sup>th</sup>



and September 29<sup>th</sup> 1973. at Kennedy  
Memorial Hall - Irish Centre, N.W.I.

The Chairman in review of the year  
thanked all members for their good  
attendance and support during the  
year and for making the events of the  
year a success. He gave a special  
welcome to new members - and thanks  
was extended to the Irish Centre for  
the use of rooms for meetings <sup>dinner</sup> and  
dances and to all Fermanagh people  
and other Co. Assoc for their support.

The Assoc had been worked hard  
during the past year and gave their  
support to many charitable causes.

The Fermanagh F.V.H Assoc. N.I. Relief  
Fund I.W. Fund. Citizens Advice Society  
Irish Centre Welfare fund. C.I.L.P.  
Central Welfare Fund Mayors R.D.F. & Co.  
Boys Fund. Support to Benefit dances & by  
sale of tickets etc for Fermanagh people  
as well as other Counties. Two successful  
Dances - Gresham & Irish Centre, & lastly a  
very successful B.C. Dinner & Social on Sep  
30 to Oct 1. The Chairman then extended  
good wishes to the incoming officers &  
Committee.

The Election of officers then took place  
Chairman - Mr Hugh Mc Cormack  
Vice - " " Don Mc Manus  
Treasurer - " Frank Corrigan  
Secretary - Mrs Mary Mc Cormack  
Adviser - " Mr Benny Greene



auditors Mr. P. J. Keene  
 " Mrs " "  
 President Mr. J. McManus M.P.  
 Vice " Fr. J. Gilhade  
 " " Mr. P. Gray.  
 Patron :- Most Rev. Dr. P. Mulligan,  
 Lord Bishop of Clogher.

Committee Members:-

Mr & Mrs J. McAlcer  
 Mrs P. McManus  
 " D. Samwell.  
 Mr & Mrs P. Logan  
 Miss M. Cadden.  
 " Mr. McManus  
 Mrs J. Booney.  
 " Patrick McManus

Delegates to the C.I.C.A.:-

The Chairman again thanked all  
 for their support and for re electing  
 him for the coming year.

That concluded the meeting

Date of next meeting: - 25/10/53

Alfred McManus

29.10.72

Noted 19 members paid Annual Subscription.

November 1972,

a general meeting of the Fermoyagh Association in London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1 on Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

The Chairman, Sec<sup>y</sup>, and Treasurer and ten members were present.

The minutes of the previous general meeting were read and adopted, proposed by Mrs Greene and seconded by Dennis Samwell.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance of £104-49. Cash in hand 57 p.

It was noted that at the A.G.M. (October) 19 nineteen members laid their annual subscription for 1973.

Report proposed by Benony Greene and seconded by Mary Cadden.

A. The Bacon & Cabbage Dinner for to be held on 27<sup>th</sup> Jan' 1973 was agreed. The tickets to be printed and distributed as soon as possible price £1.50 each. Music by the "Wild Rovers" - cost £30-00.

The Individual Quiz was discussed. It was not certain how many members would be able to participate in the contest to be held in the Centre on Thur 14<sup>th</sup> Dec.

As Mr Jim Conway was returning to Ireland to live permanently all associations were to make a presentation to him at the C.I.C.A. Welfare Buffet on



Dec 16<sup>th</sup> (Sat), Gernonagh Assoc' were  
contributing \$5-00. . . a cheque of \$5-00 <sup>Fund</sup>  
was also sent to aid ~~the~~ O.A.P.  
in N. Ireland. also a cheque for  
\$70-00 was sent to N. Ireland Relief  
Fund. Members were requested  
to help at the Irish Centre Bazaar  
on 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. also tickets were distributed  
to members to sell in aid of the  
Irish Centre.

That concluded the meeting  
Date of next meeting Frid 15<sup>th</sup> Dec.  
H. Ann Barrett

23. 11. 72

December 1972

a General Meeting of the Germanagh Association was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square. N.W.1. on Fri 15<sup>th</sup> December.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, fourteen Members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by Mrs Greene and seconded by J. Mc Aleer.

The Treasurers report showed a bank balance of £88.94, cash in hand £3.17. This was proposed by D. Mc Manus and seconded by M. Cadden.

The forthcoming dinner & dance was discussed and tickets were distributed to members. The Band was booked <sup>at the Wild Rover</sup> and judging by the demand for tickets it is expected to be another enjoyable event.

Members handed in the remaining ticket stubs & money re the Irish Centre Times Draw. Tickets were also distributed for the C.I.E.A. buffet in aid of their central welfare fund and also tickets distributed for the Jim Conway Presentation in the Gresham Ballroom.

A letter of acknowledgment from C.I.E.A. Welfare Fund (N.I.) re a donation sent. also a donation given to the Colamban Fathers. a further donation



to Wives and Families of Internees for Imos,  
also a cheque from the Irish Centre Welfare  
Fund was sent through the Secretary.

as John & Mary Mc Aleer were soon  
returning permanently to live in Ireland.

a presentation Party was arranged  
to take place immediately after the  
meeting in conjunction with the Assoc.  
annual Imos Party.

The Chairman  
thanked everyone for their support during  
the last year and expressed his best  
wishes for Imos and the new year <sup>trial</sup> and to  
John & Mary, two willing members in all  
the Assoc. work, all present wishes them  
every success & happiness in their new  
venture.

That concluded the meeting.

Date of next meeting 18/1/73

H. Mc Cormack

15.12.72

January 1973  
a General Meeting of the Monaghan Assoc.  
took place in the Irish Centre 52 Bonds  
Square N.W.1 on January 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and  
fourteen members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting  
were read and adopted, proposed by  
P.J. Greene and seconded by Dennis  
Samwell.

Treasurer's report showed a bank  
balance of £68.49, cash in hand £1.47.  
this was also adopted, proposed by  
Mrs Greene & seconded by Mrs McManus.

Final arrangements were made regarding  
the forthcoming New Year Dinner Dance on  
the 27<sup>th</sup> Jan. Tickets were sold out  
and everyone was looking forward to  
a successful function.

It was proposed to ~~send~~ <sup>give</sup> P.J. & Mrs Green  
two complimentary tickets for the Monaghan  
Assoc's Annual Dinner, to represent the  
Association at this function.

Arrangements were being made through the  
assoc' and the Irish Centre for a Kinawley  
Parish Reunion following a request from  
Fr. Gaffney (Kinawley), for 27<sup>th</sup> April.

A letter of correspondence had been sent by  
the Secretary.

As His Lordship Bishop Mulligan was to be  
in London for the Monaghan Dinner, a suggestion  
was made that the Committee arrange to re-  
ceive him as he is the Patron of our Assoc. The meeting  
agreed. Date of next meeting, March 8<sup>th</sup>

18.1.73

H McEneaney



March 1973

a general meeting of the Germanagh Assoc.  
in London was held at the Irish Centre  
52 Camden Square. n.w.1 on March  
8th. vice president Frank Gillmore.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and  
fourteen members were present.

There was an apology from our sons  
Logan who were unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting  
were read and adopted proposed by  
P.J. Greene and seconded by Dennis Somwell.

Treasurers Report showed a bank  
balance of £341.33 cash in hand £2.47.

Correspondence included ~~correspondence~~ circular  
letter re travel to Dublin for St Patrick's  
Day Parade there. It was not quite clear  
if a "parade" would be held in London  
but a Special Mass had been arranged  
to be held celebrated at Southwark Cathedral  
on Sunday 11th March, and a "Banquet"  
was being held at the Gresham Ballroom  
on Wednesday 15th March.

The Irish Centre were organizing the Annual  
"Concert" in the Albert Hall on 16th MARCH,  
and an appeal letter was read on  
behalf of the Louis Leonard Dependents Fund.

It was agreed to donate £30 to this  
fund proposed by Hugh Mc Cormack and  
seconded by Patrick Mc Manus. It was  
also agreed to organise a dance when  
possible to aid this deserving  
fund.

A donation of £20 - was made to



Marton Kelly who had recently lost both his parents. The cheque to be paid to his guardians William Clerkin.

This was proposed by Mrs Greene and seconded by Dennis Samwell.

Mr J Brooks (The Irish Dance Teacher) who organised the Irish Centre Feis last year inquired through the Secretary if the Association wished to contribute a trophy for this years Feis to be held at the Irish Centre in July.

It was agreed to enter for the 1973 C.I.C.A. Inter County Quiz "Gunnies Cup". A report was made by the Assoc delegates at the C.I.C.A. AGM held at the Irish Centre Feis. All Officers were re-elected with the exception of Asso's Sec. Thomas Correll replaced by Jim Keating who is Tipp's Assoc's Sec.

A Party was held on Wed 21st Febr organised by the Committee for His Lordship Bishop Mulligan at the Irish Centre. A presentation of £20 - from the Committee was presented on their behalf by the Vice President Fr Frank Gilhird. The Treasurer Frank Corrigan.

A presentation was then made at this meeting 8th March to Patrick McManus & his bride to be Greta Keenan by the Vice President Fr Frank Gilhird on behalf of the Committee and all wished them good luck on their Honeymoon trip to New York. That concluded the meeting. The Chairman thanked all present & welcomed new members of the Council.  
date of next meeting April 12th. 8.3.73



April 1973

a general meeting of the Termonagh Association was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1 on Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> of April.

The Chairman Secretary Treasurer and sixteen members were present.

The Chairman welcomed all present and particular a special welcome to new members.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. proposed by P.J. Greene and seconded by Benny Greene.

The Treasurers Report showed a bank balance of £78.94, cash in hand £2.37 proposed by Dan McManus and Sec. by Mrs Greene

Correspondence included a letter of acknowledgement and thanks from Mr Willie Olerkin, Shanrock. Magnanimously re £20 - donation from the association to his orphan nephew Martin Kelly who has returned to Ireland to live with him. also a letter of thanks from His Lordship Bishop Mulligan for kindness & reception given to him by the Assoc. on his visit to London. a St Patricks Day Greetings Card & letter from <sup>members</sup> John & Mary McAleer who have returned to Ireland to live. also greetings from Vice President Pat Gray. wife Eileen also returned permanently to Ireland & Thank you card from newly weds Mr Patrick & Greta McManus.

Arrangements were finalised by the members for the Kinawley Reunion on the London side. as many as possible to be in attendance at the mass at 8 P.M. - 27th April.

Date for the forthcoming Benefit Dance is the Louis Leonard Dependants Fund. 14th June - venue Irish Centre. a Band to be booked & tickets printed at 40p each as soon as possible. also a Band to be booked for the 29th Sept (Sat) venue Irish Centre.

Manyadden very courageously volunteered to walk ~~at~~ on behalf of the Assoc' in the Irish Centre Clarity walk on May 20th

It was agreed to buy a Trophy to present to the <sup>ages 12-16 if possible</sup> ~~Irish~~ Gaelic singing competition at the Irish Centre. ~~Annual~~ <sup>Irish</sup> to be "The Fermanagh Assoc' in London Perpetual Cup." the cost to be in the region of £10-12.

That concluded the meeting there was no other business.

Date of next meeting May 17th

JH McLaughlin  
12.4.73



May 1973

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Assoc' in London was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N. W1 on Mon 17th May.

The Chairman, Secretary - Treasurer and seventeen members were present.

There was an apology from Mrs Booney who was unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by Mary Cadden and sec' by Kathleen Mc Manus.

Treasurer's Report showed a Bank Balance £71.29 Bank in hand £3.87 this was also adopted. Proposed by Ean Mc Manus & seconded by Benny Greens.

Correspondence included a letter of acknowledgement & thanks re donation sent to Mrs <sup>Michael</sup> Mc Manus.

Tickets were distributed to members for the forthcoming Benefit Dance on the Louis Leonard Fund. Music by "The Westons" - cost £24 - The date 14th June (Sun), venue Irish Centre.

It was agreed that the Secretary purchase a Cup for the Assoc' to be known as the Fermanagh Assoc' - London Perpetual Cup Challenge Cup. 12-14 yrs - Balads in English.

Irish Centre Charity walk was postponed till Oct. but will be on the agenda. as Mary Cadden

very willingly agreed to walk on  
behalf of the Assoc.

membership cards were available  
for the Fenneragh Citizens Advice  
Bureau. The usual raffle took  
place. There was no other  
business.

Date of next meeting June 21st.  
Off Mrs Barry

17.4.73



June 1973

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Assoc<sup>n</sup> in Londonderry was held at the Irish Centre 52 Gordon Square N.W.1 on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

The Chairman Secretary & Treasurer & eighteen members were present.

There was an apology from members who were unable to attend.

The Chairman welcomed all present and the minutes of the previous meeting were then read, <sup>and agreed</sup> proposed by P. J. Greene & seconded by Mrs Bernice Pelongoni.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance £71.29. cash in hand £5.17 proposed by Mrs Greene & seconded by Penny Green.

There was correspondence (re <sup>Tickets</sup> donations) sold) to the Secretary for the Benefit done on 14<sup>th</sup> June.

Programmes for the forthcoming Irish Centre Summer Fairs were to hand. This was organised by the 160 Associations in aid of the Centre.

Fermanagh <sup>Assoc<sup>n</sup></sup> were - as usual organising a stall "Magna-cat" which incidentally did very well on previous occasions. and this year promised to be even better with the help of more members. Mr Don McManus promised very generously to donate a Bottle of Bushmills Irish Whiskey for a raffle. Other members were donating prizes ~~in~~ and

promised to help run the Stall.

The Countess Journal was to hand. & also was the ~~for~~ very lovely Trophy.

The Germonagh Assoc. London perpetual cup for the winner of the Irish Balads competition 17-14 yrs. being held at the Junior Glacool in the Irish Centre 14<sup>th</sup> July.

The cup was engraved & all included cost £11.77.

The Treasurer reported that £170- was recorded from the ~~for~~ benefit done and a cheque for that amount was being sent to ~~over~~ the Louis Leonora Defendants Fund. The dance was a great success socially & financially and credit being due to the great support from members & friends.

A cheque <sup>for</sup> was also sent to the C.I.B. re the Assoc's share paid towards the cost of the Countess New Banner (for the St Patrick Day Parade) etc.

Representatives from the Assoc were requested to attend the A.G.M. of the St Pat's Day Parade Committee, on 26<sup>th</sup> June, at the Irish Club, Eaton Square.

The raffle then took place. There was no other business.

Date of next meeting 19/7/73

H. Mrs. Leonard

21.6.73



July 1973

a general meeting of the Fermanagh Association was held at the Irish Centre, 52 Camden Square. N.W.1. on Thu 19th July.

The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and fourteen members were present.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by P.J. Greener & seconded by Benny Green.

Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £68-29 cash in hand 30p, ~~and~~ this was also adopted, proposed by Dennis Samwell and seconded by Joe Maguire.

Regarding the forthcoming function on September ~~29th~~ <sup>30th</sup> at the Irish Centre, it was agreed to organize a Bacon & Cabbage Dinner Dance. This was proposed by Dan McManus and seconded by Dennis Samwell.

The report on the Irish Centre June Fayre, the sum of £23-38, was raised through the Fermanagh Stall & Raffle. The proceeds were handed over to the Irish Centre.

It was reported through the C.I.C.A. that The Fermanagh Assoc are drawn to contest Armagh Assoc in the second round quiz (Inter co) for the Guinness Cup.

The Germanagh Association - London  
Perpetual Trophy for Balads in English  
~~was~~ 11-14 yrs) Competition was won  
by Miss Claire Gaylor at the  
Irish Centre Fleadh Beol on July 14<sup>th</sup>.  
The trophy was presented on behalf  
of the Germanagh Assoc by the Chair-  
man (Hugh McCormack).

A mass card was sent by the Secretary  
to Bob Daly (Vice Chairman C.I.C.A.)  
on behalf of the Assoc. on the death  
of his Brother Hugh. (Beleck).

As there was no meeting in  
August it was agreed that the  
Secretary post out to members the  
Dinner Dance tickets as soon as  
available. The Ben Bros Dance Band  
were booked. (Fee £30). Tickets £1.75.

There was no other business  
a presentation was made to Dennis  
Samwell & his Bride to be on the occasion  
of his forthcoming Marriage which  
carried with it the Best Wishes  
for the future from the Association.  
Date of next meeting Sept 20<sup>th</sup>

H. McCormack

19.7.73



SEPTEMBER 1973

a General Meeting of the Fennoraugh Assoc  
London was held at the Irish Centre  
52 Camden Sq. N.W.1. on Sept 20<sup>th</sup>.

The Chairman, Asst. Secretary, Treasurer  
and Sixteen Members were present,  
The Minutes of the previous meeting  
were read by the Assistant Sec.  
(as Sec was away unable to attend).

Minutes proposed by Dan McManus  
and seconded by P.J. Greene.

Treasurer's Report: - Bank balance  
£76-13, cash in hand £1-10.

Proposed by Dennis Sambell and  
seconded by P.J. Greene.

Charity walk 7<sup>th</sup> Oct in aid  
of Irish Centre: - Members & Committee  
agreed to contribute £1 each <sup>individually</sup> (5 p/w m/s)  
and to donate £20 from the 'Fenn'  
association Fund. The Sponsor to  
be Gary Cadden or Fr. Sheridan.

Received £1- from <sup>colours</sup> M.K. McManus.

It was proposed to send a  
get well card to Frank McManus  
MP Enniskillen.

It was proposed to put round a  
glass of wine at the Dinner Dance  
on Sat 29<sup>th</sup>.

Date of next meeting = A.G.M.

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>

H. McManus

20.9.73

October 1973

The Annual General Meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London. was held at the Irish Centre 52 Borden Sq. N. W. 1 on Thurs. October 25th.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer & seventeen Members were present.

The minutes of the previous A. G. M. were read and adopted proposed by Dan Mc Manus and seconded by P. J. Greene.

The Treasurer's report showed a bank balance £352-63, cash in hand £1-03, proposed by Mary Cadden and seconded by Benny Greene.

The Report re the previous Dinner Dance was very satisfactory and most of the business regarding it was finalised. Everyone who attended had a very enjoyable time; 183 people sat down to a very nice meal.

The Irish Centre Charity walk, a cheque for £40 — was donated — £1 — for individually from members & rest made up from the Assoc's funds.

Members agreed to help contribute suitable material for the Irish Centre Journal.

A discussion took place regarding arranging an outing sometime in the new year.

Next night's allocation: — The Fermanagh Assoc had been allocated February 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> 1974 at the Irish Centre.



The Chairman in his review of the year thanked all members for their good attendance and support during the <sup>past</sup> year and for making all their events of the year a success. He gave a special welcome to new members. Thanks was extended to the Irish Centre for the use of rooms for meeting, dinners, dances etc. and to all Fermanagh People and other county Assoc's for their support. Donations

The Assoc<sup>n</sup> had supported many worthy and charitable causes during the past year. He then extended his best wishes to the Incoming Officers and Committee. The Election is follows.

Chairman: Mr Hugh McCormack.  
Vice " " Dan McCloskey  
Treasurer " Frank Corrigan  
Secretary Mrs Mary McCormack.  
Asst " Mr. Benny Greene

Auditors: - Mr. & Mrs P. J. Greene.  
President: Mr. Frank McCloskey M.P.

Vice " " Mr. Frank Gibbidge  
" " Mr. John Cleary.

Patron: Most Rev Dr. P. Mallaghan  
Lord Bishop of Clogher.

Life Member: Mr. P. Gray. (a founder member)

Delegates to The C. I. C. A.

Mr. Peter Logan & Mrs B. Pellingrone

Committee Members: -

Mrs D. McCloskey

Committee members - continued :-

Mr & Mrs Don Mc Carroll.

" " Denis Gamwell.

~~Mr~~ Mrs Peter Logan.

Mrs Mary Badden.

Mrs Frank Corrigan

Mrs M.K. McManus.

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The Chairman again thanked all present for their support and for re-electing him for the coming year.

That concluded the meeting.

Date of next meeting :- 17<sup>th</sup> Oct '74

H. Mc Carroll

25.10.73



NOVEMBER 1973

a general meeting of the Derrinagh Assoc  
was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden  
Square N.W.1 on Thurs 15th Nov.

The Chairman. Secretary Treasurer and  
twelve members were present.

The minutes of the previous general  
meeting were read and adopted & proposed  
by P.J. Greenland and seconded by Mrs Greene

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance  
£118-85. c/H. £1-03. & proposed by Bernie  
Pelligrini. Seconded by Joe Maguire

It was agreed to organise a B & C Dinner  
for Sat' 23rd February 1974. Tickets  
to be printed & Band to be booked as  
soon as possible.

a letter of Thanks was to hand from  
Dr Tree the Irish Centre re the £40  
donation from the Assoc' for contribution  
to the Charity Walk.

It was agreed to send a donation  
of £5- to Dr Pat Rielly. (Philippines)

Mrs Winnie Corrigan contributed the  
news item to the Counties Journal  
for the month of December.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting. 20.12.73.

J. J. Mc Carra  
15.11.73

DECEMBER 1973.

a general meeting of the Derraneagh Association was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1. on Thur 20th December.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and fourteen members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, proposed by Benny Greene and seconded by P. J. Greene.

Treasurer's Report showed a bank balance of £111.58, cash in hand £4.83. Proposed by Mrs Greene and seconded by Dennis Samwell.

A letter of acknowledgement was from Mr. John Cleary, Vice President was read, and also a cheque for £5- was sent to the Assoc. This was gratefully appreciated by the Assoc. A letter of thanks to be sent in due course.

A letter of sympathy and Mass Card was sent to Mr Kevin Sanderson on the recent death of his Father.

Preparations were in hand for the forthcoming B+C Dinner Dance 23rd Febr 1974.

Owing to the C.I.C.A. Buffet being on the same night, the meeting was brief. as all members present were attending this function afterwards.

With greetings for Xmas & the New Year exchanged that concluded the meeting.

Date of next meeting 17th January 1974.

H. Ome Cairns

20-12-73



January 1974

a general meeting of the Fermagh Association in London. was held at the Irish Centre 52 Gordon Square N.W.1. on Thur 17th. January.

The Chairman Secretary Treasurer and fourteen members were present.

There was an apology from Don & Mrs Mc Carroll who were unable to attend.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, proposed by Don Mc Manus and seconded by Bernice Pellington.

Treasurers Report showed a Bank Balance of £120 - 33, Cash in hand £1.08 Proposed by Mary Cadden and seconded by Mrs Logan.

Correspondence included a reply from Fr. Pat Dilly re donation sent. Also reply from Kevin Sanderson. re cross Card sent. and some circular letters re tourism and charter flight to Ireland.

The forthcoming BPC Dinner Dance 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb. Tickets were to Land £1.75 ea. Band. The Sky Pilots booked. Fee £25=.

C.J.C.A. A.G.M. 24<sup>th</sup> Feb. Delegates to attend. to be finalised at next meeting.

It was agreed to entertain Bishop Mulligan in the event of him coming to the Monaghan Assoc. Dinner. A Party from the Mon Assoc. visited 'Hope House', the Irish Centre New Hostel, and were reported that it was an excellent purchase at £150,000 Delegate to attend St Pat's Day Parade. meeting. That concluded the meeting. Date of next meeting 21<sup>st</sup> Feb.

17.1.74

H. Mc Carroll



MAR 21<sup>st</sup>  
FEBRUARY 1974

A general meeting of the Germanagh Assoc London was held in the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1. on March 21<sup>st</sup>

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and twelve members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by P.J. Greene and seconded by Miss Kelt with thanks.

Treasurers Report showed a bank balance of £342-38, cash in hand £1-08. This was also adopted, proposed by Peter Logan and seconded by Joe Maguire.

The bill for the dinner dance was to hand for £281- and paid to the Irish Centre. Two hundred thirty (230) guests sat down to an excellent meal. Wine was also inclusive.

The C.I.C.A. Affiliation fees £3.15 were also paid for 1974.

All present agreed that the Dinner Dance was up to the usual standard of success and enjoyment. The Chairman extended thanks to all who helped to make it so successful. It was agreed to organise a buffet or Dance to raise funds for an contribution to the Irish Centre new Hotel fund set a recent suitable date at the Centre as a venue.

Miss Green proposed to send a letter of sympathy and Mass Card to Joe Maguire on the recent Death of his son Robert Maguire. A donation of £50 was sent to our President J. McManus M.P. to help alleviate election expenses. No other business. Date of next meeting 25/4/74  
21.3.74 J. McManus



APRIL 1974

a general meeting of the Fernaneagh Association in London was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square NW1 on <sup>Thurs</sup> Apr 25th.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and twelve members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted - proposed by P. J. Green & seconded by Joe Maguire.

The Treasurers Report showed a Bank balance £164-26 - cash in hand £1-08. This was also adopted, proposed by Don McManus and seconded by Peter Logan.

A letter of acknowledgement ~~to~~ <sup>check</sup> from Frank McManus M.P. re donation to election funds was read by Don Turner.

It was the tickets were to hand for the forthcoming Donce (6th June), price 50p each. Music by the Sky Pilots. All members took tickets to sell.

It was agreed to arrange an outing at a weekend to Hadret Idropshire to visit Sir John McManus. Some members agreed to attend the C.C.A. Annual Dinner 16th May 2 tickets paid for from the Assoc funds, also 3 tickets paid for the Armagh Assoc Dinner 18th May. Tickets were also sold for the Irish Centre Draw 24th May. The Chairman thanked all present and especially new members Mr & Mrs J Smith. There was no other business. Date of next meeting 25.5.74

A. Mc Cormack 24.4.74



May 1974

A General Meeting of the Fermanagh Association in London was held at the Irish Centre 52 Camden Square N.W.1. on Thurs 25th May.

The Chairman Secretary, Treasurer and eight Members were present.

There was an apology from the absent members who were unable to attend.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted proposed by Mary Cadden and seconded by Joe Maguire.

The Treasurers Report showed a bank balance £145-66 cash in hand £1-08 this was also adopted proposed by Frank Smith and seconded by Mrs Corrigan.

The forthcoming Dance on the 6th June was ~~the~~ finalised, Band at cost £30—. Tickets were in circulation and going reasonably well at 50p each. All members were helping to make it a success.

The trip to outing to Hardstone Hall, Shropshire. was discussed but not dates had were fixed as it would have to be suitable to all parties concerned.

Date of next meeting June 20th.

H. Mc Cormack  
25.5.74



June 1974

A general meeting of the Fernanagh Association was held in the Irish Centre, Camden Square N.W.1 on Thu. 20th June.

The Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and some members were present.

There was an apology from absent members.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, proposed by P.J. Greene & seconded by Benny Greene.

Treasurer's report showed a bank balance £189.66. cash in hand £1.08. This was also adopted proposed by Benny Greene and sec'd by Peter Hogan.

Report on the previous dance in aid of the Irish Centre New Hostel Fund was very satisfactory. The profit was to date £60 - inc. raffle. The prizes for the raffle was donated by the Chairman. A cheque for £100 was given to Dr. <sup>For the Centre</sup> ~~Free~~ <sup>Senior</sup> Director of the Irish Centre. This was agreed by all present. as all the monies for the dance was not to hand.

The Irish Centre Fayre on June 29th was discussed. Mrs. Greene agreed to organise a stall together with Peter & Mrs. Hogan. Mrs. McManus and any one else who would be able to help. also. Any prizes would be welcome. ~~monies for the dance to donate a bottle of whisky~~



It was agreed to organise a Bacon & Cabbage Dinner & Dance on 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. Tickets to be £2 - each incl a glass of wine.

YK Assoc had been drawn to play Roscommon Assoc in a dart match - Venue - The Irish Centre.

This to be arranged as soon as possible also Roscommon ~~Assoc~~ versus Derrinagh Assoc in Inter Co Quin.

In any other business, The Treasurer Frank Corrigan inquired about the possibility of a benefit dance at a later date. This was to be discussed after the outing.

That concluded the meeting, The Chairman welcomed new members and wished all a very Happy Holiday.

Date of next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> July

H. M. Connolly

20.6.74



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